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Dragonfly Walk ***Unique event at Blackacre State Nature Preserve***

Frankfort, Ky. (July 3, 2012) – Blackacre State Nature Preserve (SNP) and Historic Homestead in Jefferson County will play host to a unique event on Sunday, July 8, beginning at 2 p.m.

Visit the ponds and small streams at Blackacre SNP in Jefferson County as trip leader, Ellis Lauder milk, invertebrate biologist for the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission (KSNPC), takes participants in search of dragonflies and damselflies.

These beneficial, colorful, and acrobatic insects are the kings of the air in the insect world and their beauty rivals many butterflies. During the field trip we'll discuss Kentucky's diversity of dragonflies and damselflies, the differences between them, and the ecology and behavior of the group.

The walk is rated as easy to moderate and would be a great opportunity to introduce children to these fascinating insects. Please meet by the Schick Nature Center prior to 2 p.m. If possible, bring a pair of close-focusing binoculars.

The event is being coordinated by the Blackacre Conservancy. Admission is \$3 for individuals, \$5 per family. The hike is limited to 20 people and may fill up quickly, so reserve your spot now.

For reservations, call or email the Blackacre Conservancy at 502-266-9802 or blackacre3200@gmail.com. For driving directions, go to their website: www.blackacreconservancy.org.

Find out more about Blackacre State Nature Preserves and the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission by visiting us online at <http://naturepreserves.ky.gov>. You can also join us on Facebook at <http://facebook.com/ksnpc>.

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